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TITLE OF CASE  <b>JAMES CATUARA, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>lao</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA  dated 1/5/76.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will follow and report activities of the subject.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago  
1 - AIC, Chicago Field Office (ATTN: [REDACTED])

Report of: SA [REDACTED]

Office: Chicago

Date: MAR 31 1976

Field Office File #: 92-1371

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Title: JAMES CATUARA

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: JAMES CATUARA continues to reside at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical observation of CATUARA's residence on 1/5/76, 1/30/76, 2/23/76 and 3/8/76, revealed no unusual activity. Oak Lawn Police Department sources advised on 1/5/76 and 3/8/76, that they are unaware of any criminal activity by CATUARA. On 1/28/76, [REDACTED] and denied any knowledge of CATUARA's business or criminal activities. On 2/11/76, [REDACTED] advised CATUARA was currently in Florida.

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April 8, 1976

[REDACTED]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

The United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, on November 13, 1974, issued a subpoena duces tecum addressed to the President or any other authorized officer or agent of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, 212 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois for pertinent records relating to telephone number(s) [REDACTED]. Such were requested pursuant to an official criminal investigation being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It was requested at the time of issuance of this subpoena that disclosure of the existence of that request be held in abeyance for a period of 90 days to preclude such disclosure from impeding the investigation being conducted thereby causing interference with the enforcement of the law.

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You are hereby requested to withhold disclosure concerning the existence of the request made of you for an additional 90 day period so that investigation conducted will not be jeopardized.

Very truly yours,

- 1 - Addressee
- 1 - USA's Office
- 1 - 92-1371

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SA [REDACTED] C#1

[REDACTED]  
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*[Signature]*

April 19, 1976

[redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

The United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, on January 28, 1975, issued a subpoena duces tecum addressed to the President or any other authorized officer or agent of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, 212 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois for pertinent records relating to telephone number(s) [redacted]. Such were requested pursuant to an official criminal investigation being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Attorney-in-Charge  
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May 21, 1976

[redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

The United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, on March 14, 1975, issued a subpoena duces tecum addressed to the President or any other authorized officer or agent of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, 212 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois for pertinent records relating to telephone number(s) [redacted]. Such were requested pursuant to an official criminal investigation being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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SA [redacted]

C#1

*[Signature]*  
[redacted]  
Attorney-in-Charge  
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[REDACTED]

JAMES CATUARA

AL PILOTTO

On April 9, 1976, [REDACTED] advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that JIMMY CATUARA is withdrawing from active criminal participation. Whenever a deal is offered to CATUARA, CATUARA suggests the offerer go see someone such as [REDACTED] or AL PILOTTO.

[REDACTED] is heavily engaged in pornographic sales. [REDACTED] (LNU). PILOTTO is assisted by [REDACTED] as his headquarters. There is a card game frequently at the Albert Hotel operated by [REDACTED] PILOTTO can do anything he wants in Chicago Heights.

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June 4, 1976

[redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Pursuant to an official criminal investigation of a suspected felony being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Chicago, Illinois, we received on June 10, 1975, toll record information pertaining to telephone number(s) [redacted] for the date(s) of February through May, 1975, inclusive, and at that time directed you not to disclose the existence of such request for a period of 90 days.

Inasmuch as this investigation continues, you are hereby requested not to disclose the existence of this request for another 90 days from the date of this request. Any such disclosure could impede the investigation being conducted and thereby interfere with the enforcement of the law.

Very truly yours,

1 - Addressee  
1 - USA's Office  
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SA [redacted]

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Attorney-in-Charge  
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June 21, 1976

[redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Pursuant to an official criminal investigation of a suspected felony being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Chicago, Illinois, we received on November 13, 1974, toll record information pertaining to telephone number(s) [redacted]

for the date(s) of May, 1974 through October, 1974, inclusive, and at that time directed you not to disclose the existence of such request for a period of 90 days.

Inasmuch as this investigation continues, you are hereby requested not to disclose the existence of this request for another 90 days from the date of this request. Any such disclosure could impede the investigation being conducted and thereby interfere with the enforcement of the law.

Very truly yours,

- 1 - Addressee
- 1 - USA's Office
- 1 - 92-1371

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SA [redacted]

C#1

[redacted]  
Attorney-in-Charge  
Strike Force

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>CHICAGO</b>	DATE <b>6/23/76</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>4/1/76 - 6/22/76</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JAMES CATUARA, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA</b> [redacted]	TYPED BY <b>rbv</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 3/31/76.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Will follow and report activities of the subject.

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**SA** [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois  
1 - Attorney-in-Charge, Chicago Field Office  
(Attention: [redacted])

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: CHICAGO  
Date: JUNE 23, 1976

Field Office File #: 92-1371

Bureau File #: 92-5931

Title: JAMES CATUARA

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: JAMES CATUARA continues to reside at 5600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical observation of CATUARA's residence on April 1, 1976, April 20, 1976, May 11, 1976, June 2, 1976 and June 17, 1976, revealed no unusual activity. Oak Lawn Police Department sources advised on May 11, 1976 and June 22, 1976, that they are unaware of any criminal activity by CATUARA. On April 9, 1976, [redacted] advised CATUARA is withdrawing from active criminal participation.

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June 29, 1976

[redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Pursuant to an official criminal investigation of a suspected felony being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Chicago, Illinois, we received on January 28, 1975, toll record information pertaining to telephone number(s) [redacted]

for the date(s) of November, 1974 through January, 1975 inclusive, and at that time directed you not to disclose the existence of such request for a period of 90 days.

Inasmuch as this investigation continues, you are hereby requested not to disclose the existence of this request for another 90 days from the date of this request. Any such disclosure could impede the investigation being conducted and thereby interfere with the enforcement of the law.

Very truly yours,

- 1 - Addressee
- 1 - USA's Office
- 1 - 92-1371

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SA [redacted]

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[redacted]  
Attorney-in-Charge  
Strike Force

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July 28, 1976

[Redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

Pursuant to an official criminal investigation of a suspected felony being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Chicago, Illinois, we received on March 14, 1975, ~~tell record~~ information pertaining to telephone number(s) [Redacted]

for the date(s) of September, 1974 through February, 1975, inclusive, and at that time directed you not to disclose the existence of such request for a period of 90 days.

Inasmuch as this investigation continues, you are hereby requested not to disclose the existence of this request for another 90 days from the date of this request. Any such disclosure could impede the investigation being conducted and thereby interfere with the enforcement of the law.

Very truly yours,

- 1 - Addressee  
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[Redacted]  
Attorney-in-Charge  
Strike Force

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SA [Redacted] #1

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[Redacted]

August 25, 1976

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[redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Pursuant to an official criminal investigation of a suspected felony being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Chicago, Illinois, we received on June 10, 1975, information pertaining to telephone number(s) [redacted] for the date(s) of February through May, 1975, inclusive, and at that time directed you not to disclose the existence of such request for a period of 90 days.

Inasmuch as this investigation continues, you are hereby requested not to disclose the existence of this request for another 90 days from the date of this request. Any such disclosure could impede the investigation being conducted and thereby interfere with the enforcement of the law.

Very truly yours,

- 1 - Addressee
- 1 - USA's Office
- 1 - 92-1371

*MMZ*  
[redacted]  
Attorney-in-Charge  
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S. [redacted]

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August 25, 1976

[Redacted]  
Illinois Bell Telephone Company  
212 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

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Pursuant to an official criminal investigation of a suspected felony being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Chicago, Illinois, we received on November 13, 1974, toll record information pertaining to telephone number(s) [Redacted]

for the date(s) of May, 1974 through October, 1974, inclusive, and at that time directed you not to disclose the existence of such request for a period of 90 days.

Inasmuch as this investigation continues, you are hereby requested not to disclose the existence of this request for another 90 days from the date of this request. Any such disclosure could impede the investigation being conducted and thereby interfere with the enforcement of the law.

Very truly yours,

*WRT*

- 1 - Addressee
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[Redacted]  
Attorney-in-Charge  
Strike Force

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SA [Redacted]

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO [REDACTED]

DATE: OCT 15 1976

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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## Dates of Contact

9/24/76, 10/1/76, 10/8/76

## File #s on which contacted (Use Titles if File #s not available or when CI provides positive information)

92-677 JOSEPH AIUPPA (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-373 GUS ALEX (C-1 LERAAS)

92-344 TONY ACCARDO (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-1368 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-691 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

182-157 (C-10 [REDACTED])

## Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE☐ POSITIVE☐ STATISTIC

92-374 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-424 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

182-4056 (C-10 [REDACTED])

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92-917 CHARLES ENGLISH (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-1371 JAMES CATUARA (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-1360 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-917 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-1040 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-2615 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-1359 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-2010 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-395 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

92-1733 AL PILOTTO (C-1 R.B. [REDACTED])

92-2339 [REDACTED] (C-1 [REDACTED])

182-13 [REDACTED] (C-10 ADAMS)

92-1438 FRANK CARUSO (C-1) - 182-4079 (C-10 [REDACTED])

☐ POSITIVE ASSIGNMENT GIVEN

1 - TECIP TICKLER

Has informant shown any indication of emotional instability, unreliability or furnishing false information? No

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact, including information concerning narcotics.

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[redacted] advised SA [redacted] on 10/8/76, concerning the current leadership of organized crime in Chicago.

CTE advised that at the present time there is a three man leadership team which is currently responsible for the direction of organized crime in Chicago. Source identified the members of this team as follows:

TONY ACCARDO  
JOSEPH AIUPPA  
GUS ALEX

Source advised that ACCARDO is actually far and away the most influential member of this leadership team. However, he does not desire to become involved in the everyday affairs of organized crime and makes himself available only on important policy decisions. Source advised that ACCARDO spends considerable time in a home he has in Palm Springs, California and is accessible even when there through couriers and through telephone calls.

Source advised that AIUPPA is responsible for the day to day operations of organized crime and it is AIUPPA who is far and away the most active member of the three man leadership team.

Source advised that although GUS ALEX is also a member of this leadership team he is not actually considered to be a leader of the LCN in Chicago due to the fact that he is ineligible for a role in this respect due to the fact that he is not of Italian origin. ALEX also spends considerable time outside the Chicago area inasmuch as he has a condominium in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and spends considerable time there and also considerable time at the residence of his brother in Michigan.

Source advised that at the present time [redacted] [redacted] is the leader of organized crime on the north side of Chicago. Source advised that [redacted] jurisdiction includes the entire north side of Chicago including the near north Rush Street area and the Rogers Park area of Chicago.

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Under [ ] in the Rush Street area [ ] is in charge but answers ultimately to [ ] Source advised that [ ] is a top lieutenant for [ ] on the near north side.

Source advised that in the Rogers Park area of Chicago, [ ] is the boss, again answering ultimately to [ ] Source advised that probably [ ] is conducting the ordinary day to day activity for [ ] but source is not completely familiar with the activities of [ ] and did not offer this information as fact.

Source advised that [ ] has been given a major responsibility in the affairs of organized crime at the current time and currently ranks as a top member, probably answering only to the three men leadership team. Source advised that [ ] is the individual to whom all area bosses must ultimately funnel a cut from their gambling operations for eventual distribution to "the west side", meaning the leadership team of organized crime. Source advised that this gives [ ] a tremendous responsibility and at the present time [ ] is undoubtedly the most active leader of organized crime in Chicago. Source advised [ ] as being the two top lieutenants of [ ] at the present time but also noted that the [ ] are also very active as [ ] lieutenants.

Source advised that another very highly placed leader of organized crime at the present time is [ ] CTE advised that as is well known, [ ] was the top leader of organized crime in Chicago several years ago [ ]

[ ] Source advised, however, that [ ] found that he was unable to support himself in the style to which he has become accustomed without a big current income from organized crime and therefore he has resumed a top leadership role at the present time. Source advised that at the present time AIUPPA, ALEX and ACCARDO would be on a top level with [ ] on a level just immediately below them. Source advised that he recently read in the newspapers that CHARLES ENGLISH has a top leadership role in Chicago at the present time. Source advised this is not true due to the fact that when SAM GIANCANA was murdered in July of 1975 ENGLISH lost his "clout" inasmuch as it was GIANCANA who always supported ENGLISH, they having been boyhood friends.

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With the demise of GIANCANA, ENGLISH's role in organized crime has slowly diminished and at the present time there is absolutely no way anyone could place ENGLISH in a top leadership position in organized crime as the newspapers do.

Source advised that with the death of RALPH PIERCE in July of 1976, organized crime has apparently decided not to replace him as the boss of the south side of Chicago. Source advised that although this is a tentative decision [redacted] at the present time has taken most of the gambling accounts and operatives formerly responsible to PIERCE and is now operating them. Source advised that he believes that [redacted] operate on the south side with some authority but directly responsible ultimately to [redacted]. He noted that [redacted] are former top PIERCE lieutenants.

Speaking of the south side of Chicago source advised that FRANK "SKID" CARUSO and JIMMY CATUARA continue to maintain their small area of responsibility in "the patch", the Bridgeport area on the near south side of Chicago. Source advised that CARUSO is responsible for gambling activities in this area whereas CATUARA is responsible for "deals", meaning that he handles all "contracts" relating to legitimate activity and other activity which is a money maker for organized crime in "the patch".

Still discussing the south side of Chicago, source advised that in the southern suburbs of Chicago from Lansing and Calumet City on the east into Joliet on the west AL PILOTTO is the top boss. Source advised that CATUARA has some areas of influence within the area bossed by PILOTTO due to the fact that he long has operated in this area particularly in the near southern suburbs such as Oak Lawn and Evergreen Park.

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Source advised that one other individual who is currently highly placed in organized crime is [redacted]. Source advised that [redacted] does not have any particular area of responsibility and long has been associated with "heavy work" of organized crime, meaning that he directs the disciplinary function of organized crime.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1371)

DATE: 1/14/77

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JAMES CATUARA, aka  
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OO: CHICAGO

Since the writer is being reassigned to another  
squad, it is recommended that this case be reassigned to  
Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED] is familiar  
with this case.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on Payroll Savings Plan



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>CHICAGO</b>	DATE <b>12/6/76</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>7/15 - 12/19/76</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JAMES CATUANA, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>sfj/abw</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AS</b>	

REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA [REDACTED] dated 6/23/76.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Will interview JAMES CATUANA in an effort to determine his position in the Chicago organized crime structure.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	PRETRIAL DIVERSION	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		
							PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED  <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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Dissemination Record of Attached Report					Notations  <b>92-1371-696</b>  <i>[Signature]</i>
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

1 - United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois  
1 - Attorney In Charge, Chicago Field Office

## Report of:

## Date:

SA [REDACTED]  
DECEMBER 6, 1976

## Office:

CHICAGO

## Field Office File #:

92-1371

## Bureau File #:

92-5931

## Title:

JAMES CATUARA

## Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

JAMES CATUARA continues to reside at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical observation of CATUARA's residence has revealed no unusual activity. Oak Lawn PD sources have advised that they are unaware of any criminal activity by CATUARA.

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DETAILS:

JAMES CATUARA continues to reside at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical observation of CATUARA's residence on July 15, August 11, September 9, September 30, and October 27, 1976, revealed no unusual activity. Oak Lawn Police Department sources advised on August 11 and November 19, 1976, that they are unaware of any criminal activity by CATUARA.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1371)

DATE: 12/15/76

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JAMES CATURA, aka  
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(OO:Chicago)

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On 12/15/76 a source known to the writer furnished the following information:

During the week of November 5 thru 11/1976 JAMES CATURA met with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The meeting took place in a restaurant in Evergreen Park and the above vehicle was parked in the restaurant parking lot. The source stated that the purpose of the meeting was unknown to him.

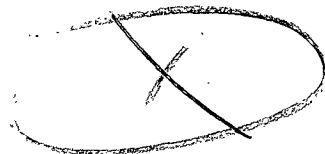
[REDACTED] 12-6-76 at 8:00 p.m.

*Wed last @ 7:50 am  
Surveillance on the CATURA vehicle  
[REDACTED] dealer plate @ 7:50 am  
went for a ride with Catura.*



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SA [REDACTED]

STATEWIDE AUTO WRECKING COMPANY, INC.  
630 SOUTH STATE  
CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS

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[REDACTED]

On 1/11/77, a red truck bearing 1976 Minnesota license [REDACTED] was observed at Statewide Auto Wrecking place of business. The vehicle is registered to Central Auto Sales, 120173½ Avenue Northeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The door of the vehicle had "Central Auto Sales" (no town) and telephone number 784-1991 painted on it.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is an associate of JIMMY "THE BOMBER" CATUARA.

1 - 92-1371 (CATUARA)

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

[redacted] was contacted at his residence. He was interviewed regarding his knowledge or dealings with any individuals by the name of JAMES CATUARA, GUIDO FIDANZI or [redacted]

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On 4/11/68 at Sheboygan, Wisconsin

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by\_

SA

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Date dictated

4/11/68

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO ( 92-1371 )

DATE: 2/24/77

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE

RE: FILE DESTRUCTION PROGRAM

SUBJECT: JAMES CATUARA

(Title)

ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. DO NOT BLOCK STAMP.

Enclosed are 2 items of evidentiary nature. These items are forwarded your office since you were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

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Enclosures are described as follows:

One 1-A envelope of original votes of [REDACTED]

One FD-302 dated 4/18/68, interview of [REDACTED]

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

FD-160 (Rev. 3-23-71)

**Subject**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

3/22/77

Social Security Account #

## Aliases

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Chicago Patrolmen's Association

Social Security Account #

1120<sup>0</sup> S. Wahash

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re; newspaper clipping, Chicago American  
date 4-25-68

CHICAGO PATROLMEN'S 3/69 80-75-2622  
ASSOCIATION

Re: Newspaper clipping  
Chicago Sun Times  
dated 3/24/69

CHICAGO PATROLMENS 1/77 92-1371-697  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION


REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>CHICAGO</b>	DATE <b>APR 25 1977</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>10/8/76 - 4/11/77</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JAMES CATUARA, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [redacted]</b>	TYPED BY <b>jjp</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

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REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 12/6/76.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue efforts to develop the subject's activities and associations. 

ADMINISTRATIVE

Concerning Chicago lead in referenced report, subject is not being interviewed at this time, in that it is believed that this interview would be more productive at a later date.

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CONVIC.	PRETRIAL DIVERSION	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
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								PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED *WST* SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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It is noted that the investigative period of this report overlaps the investigative period of the last report inas much as the informant contact on October 8, 1976, was not included in the last report.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago  
1 - AIC, Chicago Field Office (ATTENTION: [REDACTED])

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: Chicago

Date:

APR 25 1977

Field Office File #: 92-1371

Bureau File #: 92-6931

Title:

JAMES CATUARA

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Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

JAMES CATUARA continues to reside at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical observations at CATUARA's residence revealed no unusual activity. Subject drives 1976 Cadillac bearing 1977 Illinois license JMC 6. During January 1977, [REDACTED] advised that subject's associate, [REDACTED] is under investigation by local authorities for auto theft.

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DETAILS:

JAMES CATURA continues to maintain a residence at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical observations of CATURA's residence on January 19, 1977, January 21, 1977, January 27, 1977, and March 22, 1977, revealed no unusual activity.

On February 10, 1977, at approximately 12:22 p.m., observations at CATURA's residence disclosed a vehicle bearing 1977 Illinois license [REDACTED]

On February 11, 1977, and April 11, 1977, a check of the Illinois State Motor Vehicle Registration via the Law Enforcement Assistance Data System (LEADS) failed to disclose the registration for 1977 Illinois license 706 409.

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[redacted] advised on December 15, 1976, that during early November, 1976, that JAMES CATUARA met with [redacted]

[redacted]

On January 18, 1977, a check of Illinois State Passenger and Motor Vehicle records reflected the following registrations:

1976 Illinois

CPA

Chicago Patrolmen's  
Association  
1120 South Wabash  
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted] advised during January, 1977, that [redacted] is an associate of JAMES CATUARA. [redacted] Statewide Auto Wrecking Company (SAWC), Incorporated, 630 South State, Calumet City, Illinois. SAWC is associated with Central Auto Sales, 1201 73<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Avenue Northeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota. [redacted]

[redacted] During January, 1977, a Central Auto Sales vehicle bearing 1976 Minnesota license [redacted] was observed at SAWC. [redacted]

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[redacted] advised on October 8, 1976, that JIMMY CATUARA and FRANK "SKID" CARUSO continue to maintain their small area of responsibility in "the patch", the Bridgeport area on the near south side of Chicago. Source advised that CARUSO is responsible for gambling activities in this area, whereas CATUARA is responsible for "deals", meaning that he handles all "contracts" relating to legitimate activity and other activity which is a money maker for organized crime in "the patch".

[redacted] advised on November 8, 1976, that the Grand and Ogden Avenue group have been stating that JAMES CATUARA is missing in action and will never be heard from again.

On March 21, 1977, a check of the records of the Illinois Motor Vehicle Registration revealed the following registration:

1977 Illinois  
license JMC 6

JAMES CATUARA  
9600 South Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois  
1976 two door  
Cadillac  
VIN 6D47S60119509



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Chicago, Illinois  
APR 25 1977

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. CG 92-1371

Title JAMES CATUARA

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent  
[redacted] dated and captioned  
as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>CHICAGO</b>	DATE <b>5/25/77</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>4/12 - 5/20/77</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JAMES CATUARA, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 20px;"> </span> <i>JRP</i>	TYPED BY <i>mbw</i>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA   dated 4/25/77.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Investigation in captioned case has failed to indicate subject is operating in violation of any federal statutes. Accordingly, and upon recommendation of the inspection staff, this case is being closed at this time, subject to reopening in the event information is received to indicate subject's activities are in violation of federal statutes.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Chicago  
1 - Attorney In Charge, Chicago Field Office  
(Attention: )

Report of: SA   
Date: MAY 25, 1977

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File #: 92-1371

Bureau File #: 92-6931

Title:

JAMES CATUARA

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Investigation conducted re subject fails to indicate  
subject is currently violating federal statutes.

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DETAILS:

JAMES CATUARA continues to maintain a residence  
at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Physical  
observation of CATUARA's residence on May 19, 1977, revealed  
no unusual activity.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Chicago 92-1371

DATE: 5/31/77

FROM : JPD/Ram  
Springfield

SUBJECT:

James (The Bomber) Catuana  
(Title)☐ RUC☒ File Destruction ProgramEnclosed are 3 items.

These items are forwarded your office since:

☐ All logical investigation completed in this Division☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

1 1A  
2 302's

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**  
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
USM Chicago, Ill.	James Catuara #	7-13-31	MPA	
PD Chicago, Ill.	James Catuara #C-48136	4-18-33	bomb in poss.	11-17-33, cont. to Joliet, Ill., Pen. #321-7, 5 to 25 yrs. on chg. of compounding explosives
SP Joliet, Ill.	James Catuara #821	1-10-35	compounding explosives	5 to 25 yrs.; 12-15-42, paroled to Chicago, Ill.
PD Chicago Ill	James Catuara #286106	10-13-70	Burg CH38-19-1	
PD Chicago Ill	James Catuara #286 106	4-22-71	Gambling investigation	
PD Chicago Ill	James Catuara #286106	4-30-71	Gambling	L.F.D. on chg of inmate
USM Chgo Ill	James Catuara #74358	2-15-72	Postal Laws	NG 1-15-73
Cook Co Jail Chgo Ill	James Catuara #7201693	2-15-72	SKUMS	
USM Chicago Ill	James Catuara #74968	5-25-72	Dyer Act	

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
USM Chicago IL	James Catuara 76667	3-9-73	Perjury	

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	FLASH BY BUREAU: James Catuara, aka, James Catura, "The Bomber", "The Owl" If any information or inquiry received notify BFD Chicago their file #92-1371 per inf rec 7-31-63.			
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CC: FBI Chicago	"Record furnished SA in Chg Bu of ATF 2625 Butterfield Road Oak Brook IL 60521 8-29-77 as (identical ) with subject of their inquiry."			
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JAMES CATUARA, aka  
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[redacted] advised SA [redacted] on  
9/20/77, that JIMMY CATUARA at the present time continues  
to be an active member of organized crime but unlike  
years past when he was considered to be a very  
influential member this is not the case as of  
September, 1977.

Source advised that CATUARA is an aging  
individual who has lost a great deal of his influence  
and is no longer highly regarded by the current  
leadership.

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JIMMY CATURA,  
AR

On 8/4/77, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] At the present  
time JIMMY CATURA is believed to be in Scottsdale,  
Arizona.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] at Phoenix, Arizona:

On October 27, 1977, [ ] provided the following  
information:

[ ]  
[ ] forcing the retirement  
of JIMMY CATUARA (JAMES CATUARA) from the outfit in Chicago,  
and how CATUARA was moving to Florida.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1371\*)

DATE: 1/16/78

FROM :

[Redacted]  
Correlation Clerk

SUBJECT: JAMES V. CATUARA, aka JIMMIE CATTURA,  
"The Bomber" CATUARA, JAMES "The Bomber" CATUARA,  
JIM CATUARA, JIMMY CATUARA, JIMMY "The Bomber" CATUARA,  
VINCENZO CATUARA, JAMES CATUARO, JIMMIE CATUARO, JAMES  
CATUARRA, JAMES CATURA, JIMMY CATURA, JAMES CARUARA,  
JIMMY CATURRA, JIMMY COTTURC, JIMMY COTURC, JAMES COTURA,  
JIMMY "The Bomber" COTURC, JIMMY COTURC, JIMMY COTURRO,  
"The Bomber", "Jimmie The bomber", "Jimmy The bomber",  
"The Owl", "The Grandfather"  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

It is to be noted that 92-1371-626 is a previous correlation memo dated 2/10/75.

It is to be nothed that the following main files are also identical to JAMES V. CATUARA:

92-1371\* JAMES CATUARRA, aka  
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JAMES CATUARA, aka:

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87-29347\* JAMES CATUARA, aka  
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CC:Chicago  
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Closed 7/20/70

87-31242\* ITSP-FBI Matters  
Chicago Division  
JAMES CATUARA, aka  
AK  
CC:Chicago  
Opened: 4/26/68  
Closed: 12/16/70

165-460\* JIMMY CATUARA  
IGA;ITWI:  
Gambling Investigations  
CC:Chicago  
Opened: 1/28/63  
Closed: 5/23/63

166-1216\* JAMES CATUARA;  
GUIDO FIDANZI;  
  
ITAK-Gambling  
CC:Chicago  
Opened: 4/29/68  
Closed: 10/24/69

166-2560\* JAMES CATUARA  
Et Al  
ITAK-Extortion  
CC:Chicago  
Opened: 12/15/76  
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179-70\* JAMES CATUARA  
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CC:Chicago  
Opened: 10/24/68  
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JAMES CATUARA:

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OO:Chicago  
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It is to be noted that the following files were unavailable:

91-11115-333  
92-349-7163 p.87  
92-349-7163 p.114  
92-1362-347 p.1  
92-4565-220 p.6

It is to be noted that 67-832-128195 is maintained in the SAC's Office and should be reviewed by the Agent.

This memo contains all identical criminal references. No identical security references were found.

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92-1520-220 p.6

Chicago memo of SA [redacted] dated 3/12/70, captioned [redacted] "ITWP", reflects the following:

[redacted] contacted [redacted] knows to have previously been connected with the "Chicago Outfit". [redacted] that he used to work for JIMMY "The bomber" CATUARA, [redacted] asked CATUARA to find out who [redacted] worked for and who had sent him. CATUARA told [redacted] this was out of his territory, as he was strictly in charge of gambling on the South Side.

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92-1173-1253A p.13

Serial 1253A is a copy of the Chicago-Area Organized Crime Structure of March, 1975, from the Chicago Police Department. Among the names mentioned on the structure list is that of JAMES CATUARA, who is described as follows:

JAMES CATUARA  
9600 South Kilbourn Avenue  
Oak Lawn, Illinois  
M/W, dob 9/26/05  
5'5", 170 lbs.  
Grey/Baldplate Hair  
Hazel Eyes  
Social Security Number 33-20-4285  
Driver's License Number C360-4400-5274  
IR Number 286 106 FBI Number 877 436

CATUARA has been arrested at least 38 times since 1931 on charges ranging from Disorderly Conduct to Compounding Explosives. One felony conviction for Compounding Explosives, and served nine years in Joliet State Prison. South Side Area boss active in all phases of the Crime Syndicate's Activity. CATUARA is known as the "Bomber" and has a reputation as an enforcer and executioner.

91-11115-430 pages 2,3,5,6,13,16,18,19,28,30,32,35

San Diego memo to the Director, dated 5/22/75, captioned "JAMES CATUARA, aka. AR, CC:Chicago", reflects the following:

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[redacted] was the old traditional shakedown of local businessmen for protection money. JIMMY CATUARA and [redacted] were convicted of bombing local businesses that had failed to pay their protection money. It was for these bombings that CATUARA received his nickname "Jimmy-The bomber".

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91-11115-430 pgs. 2,3,5,6,13,16,18,19,28,30,32,35 contd.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] visit from JIMMY CATUARA, who told him  
that all proceeds from the game would go to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] a meeting at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] which was attended by [REDACTED]  
JIMMY CATUARA and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] he turned them  
over to FRANK "Skid" CARUSO [REDACTED] or  
JIMMY CATUARA.

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[REDACTED] JIMMY CATUARA, [REDACTED]  
"Strongey" FERRARA and GUS ALEX had aligned themselves  
together with the "Young Bloods" against some of the old  
mafia figures. When CATUARA came out of prison, he was  
very bitter towards [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] had not done  
anything for CATUARA or [REDACTED] or their families  
all the while they were in the penitentiary.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] told him that JIMMY CATUARA had sent him to tell  
[REDACTED] that he had to apologize to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] JIMMY CATUARA and asked  
CATUARA to set up a meeting with "Strongey" FERRARA.  
CATUARA, however, put him off for a week, stating that  
"Strongey" was out of town.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CATUARA told [REDACTED] to stay out of the city and to get a job as they were through with him.

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and met with CATUARA and [REDACTED] CATUARA said he had a personal favor he wanted [REDACTED] to do for him.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that CATUARA is probably the oldest made member of the Chicago Outfit, as CATUARA dates back to AL CAPONE.

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In 1965, PHIL ALDERISIO [REDACTED] and JIMMY CATUARA went to see ALDERISIO. CATUARA had a private talk with ALDERISIO. [REDACTED]

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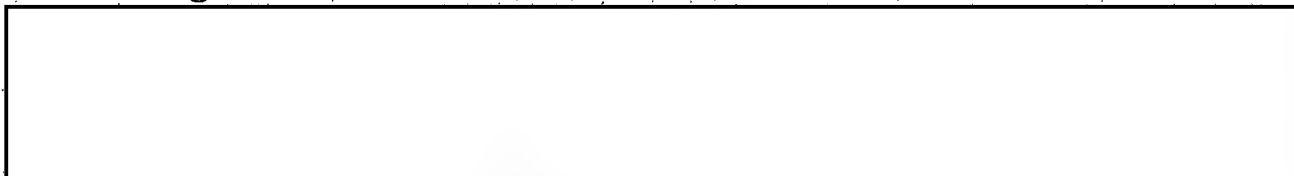
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Newspaper clipping from the 11/23/75, Four Star Final edition of the Sunday Sun-Times, Chicago, Illinois, page 58, captioned, "Police Here Seize 3 In Raids On Football Gambling Spots", is reflected on the attached xeroxed page.

# Police here seize in raids on football gambling spots

By Jim Casey

Three men, including James Catura, a reputed crime syndicate figure, were the losers Saturday in raids by Chicago police aimed at squelching betting on the University of Michigan-Ohio State University football game.

Catura, 70, of 2806 S. Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, was arrested, along with Angelo Imperato, 40, of 222 W. 30th, at the Hawks Social and Athletic Club, 252 W. 31st. Police said they caught Imperato laying off bets by phone to a major wireroom and also recovered records of \$2,500 in bets.

Simultaneously, at 5000 S. Cornell, police bearing a search warrant used a sledge hammer to break through the apartment door of Sam London, 61, after he allegedly refused to admit them.

Police said they heard a toilet flushing before they gained entry and speculated that London was disposing of betting records. Still, they said they recovered records of \$9,250 in bets, mainly on the Michigan-OSU game.

(Police noted that the gamblers gave Michigan 10 points, meaning that a bettor on Michigan could collect if Michigan lost by fewer than 10 points. The ultimate outcome: Ohio State by 7, 21-14.)

London, described as an associate of syndicate gambling czar Ralph Pierce, was charged with syndicated gambling and being a keeper of betting records. Catura was charged as the keeper of a gambling house, and Imperato was charged with syndicated gambling and as a keeper of betting records.

The raids were conducted by police under Lt. Edward Borzyl, head of the gambling unit of the vice control division.

In other raiding action Saturday, police arrested Eulogio Soto, 61, in his apartment at 1316 N. Western. They said they confiscated some \$21,000 in betting records for bolita, the Spanish numbers game. Soto was charged with syndicated gambling and as a keeper of betting records.

Alleged football parlay gambling spots were also raided Downstate and more than \$177,000 in cash seized, the bulk of it from safety deposit boxes in Iowa banks.

The raids were made in Rock Island, Ill., and Davenport, Iowa. Illinois and Federal Bureau of Investigation authorities said the operation was believed to supply a half million football cards each week.

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87-44475-285 p.3

Newspaper clipping from the Chicago Sun-Times Suburban Week, April 13 and 14, 1977, captioned "Syndicate's Top 10 Keep Low Profiles", reflects the following:

JIMMY (The Bomber) CATURA, 71, Oak Lawn. Heir to power held by FRANKIE LA PORTE, the late chief of the syndicate's Chicago Heights area gambling concerns. Believed to be behind the scenes force in syndicate attempts to organize a protection racket in auto-theft business. Reportedly "holds court" every day in a Near South Side bar.

145-1130-2 p.3

LHM dated 4/22/77, captioned "Organized Crime program-pornography matters", reflects the following:

A third distributor of pornography in Chicago is Lee Sale, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
is not directly associated with the Chicago "Outfit" [redacted]  
[redacted]

associated with [redacted] who, in turn, is closely associated with JIMMY "The Bomber" CATURA, a known Chicago Organized Crime figure.

87-44475-316

Newspaper clipping from Section 1, page 6, of the Sunday Chicago Tribune, 5/1/77, captioned "Mob Generation Gap Endangers Tony Accardo and his Fals", is reflected on the attached xeroxed pages.

# Mob generation gap endangers

By John O'Brien  
and George Bliss

**TOUGH TONY** Accardo, variously described by local and federal mob watchers as the don, elder statesman, or Godfather emeritus of the Chicago crime syndicate, is in trouble at his own game.

The kingpin, who turned 71 last Thursday, is in danger of being dethroned or, some law enforcement experts believe, permanently deleted à la Charles "Chuck" Nicoletti, Ned Bakes, or Salvatore "Meme" Giancana.

Such a thought, unspeakable a few short years ago, is now well within the realm of possibility. Age and seniority just aren't respected anymore.

Witness: Nicoletti, 61, reputed chief executioner for Accardo's Old Guard, gunned down last month in his car in a Northlake restaurant parking lot; Bakes, 70, found strangled and shot to death in the trunk of his car in an Addison restaurant parking lot Dec. 3, 1975; and Giancana, 65, executed in the basement of his Oak Park home June 20, 1975.

**ANYONE BOLD**, brazen, or just plain crazy enough to assassinate a known Mafia don in his own castle would not hesitate to bump off anybody, authorities reason.

"The heat is really on the old-timers," said one seasoned mob watcher. "Accardo is plainly worried, and the killings are seen as a test of the old-timers' will and resources to respond."

Federal and local law enforcement officials call the current bloodbath the most violent personnel upheaval within the mob in nearly two decades.

For an authoritative look at the Chicago mob today, who's running it, and who's trying to take over, The Tribune interviewed top underworld experts in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Justice Department, Cook County state's attorney's office and sheriff's office, Chicago Police Department, and U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

They believe the "heat" is coming from younger, more ambitious elements in the mob—perhaps with help from New York City—who are no longer content to wait for the time-honored orderly transition of power.

**FOR YEARS** Accardo, alias Joe Batters, was the cunning manipulator, able to pit one gangster against another, then reward the victor and accept his allegiance, one investigator explained.

But the recklessness, violence, and flair for adventure that got Accardo and his companions to the top of the heap is no longer evident.

"They don't seem to give a hoot anymore," a top FBI source said. "They figure, 'We got ours, so why bother?' They just don't need the hassle."

And so Accardo, the chairman of the board, spends almost half his time vacationing in southern California. He has forsaken for Palm Springs his old stomping grounds, Florida, where he acquired the nickname "Big Tuna" after hauling in a whopper off Bimini.

It took the Nicoletti murder to bring him back.

**AUTHORITIES SAID** he cut short his California sabbatical and returned to his palatial home at 1407 N. Ashland Av., River Forest, two days after the killing, but did not attend the funeral.

Immediately under the Big Tuna in the hierarchy of the local mob, police say, are Joseph "Doves" Aiuppa, 69, and John "Jackie the Lackey" Cerone, 62—operating directors.

Federal and local lawmen rate their authority about even, but say Cerone, of 2000 N. 77th Av., Elmwood Park, who just finished five years in prison for racketeering and gambling, spends much of his time swinging golf clubs in Florida—especially when the wind is whipping down State Street with a chill factor of 20 below zero.

Cerone, who got his start as Accardo's chauffeur, has accompanied his boss on a trip to Spain.

**MEANWHILE, AIUPPA**, a self-styled big game hunter who won his nickname by massacring doves in Kansas, calls the day-to-day shots.

Police say he divides his time between his country estate at 4 Yorkshire Dr., Oak Brook, and being chauffeured about the city and suburbs meeting with mob group leaders.

They also suspect his home is connected to a guard house at the entrance to the exclusive neighborhood by an underground cable, since whenever police cruise by they often catch Aiuppa staring out the window at them.

The roving ambassador, or trouble-shooter for the mob, according to authorities, is Gus Alex, 63, whose work is clearly cut out for him.

"He is supposed to cool beefs," said a top federal investigator, "but what can he tell the renegades if his own crowd won't start sharing the power?"

Authorities list Alex's address as 1200 N. Lake Shore Dr., but say he spends much of his time speculating on real estate in Florida.

**DIRECTLY BENEATH** Alex on the syndicate tree, according to authorities,

Tony Accardo and his pals

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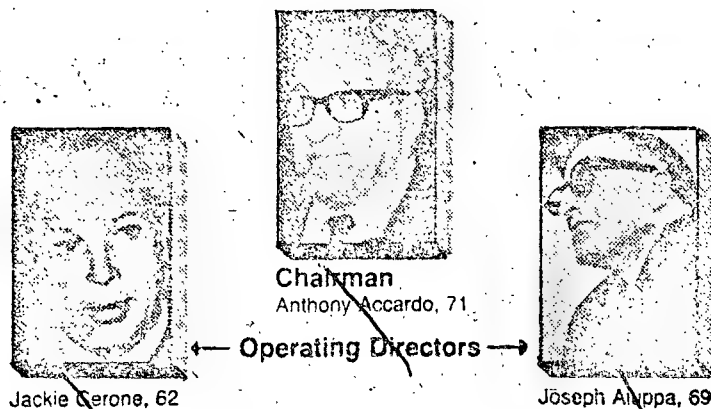
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# Organizational chart of the Chicago crime syndicate

Structure is based on extensive interviews with federal and local law enforcement officials and a review of available public documents.



**Roving ambassador trouble shooter**  
Gus Alex, 63

## West group

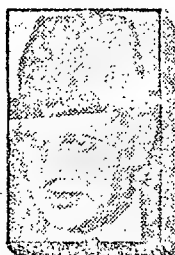


**Boss**  
James Torello, 46

## Lieutenants

Joseph Ferriola, 49  
Angelo LaPietra, 56  
James Inendino, 42  
Charles English, 62\*

## South group



Alfred Pilotto, 66

## Bosses

## Lieutenants

Angelo LaPietra (Also works with West group)  
James Catuara, 71\*\*  
Ralph Emery, 64  
Billie Dauber, 41



Albert Tocco, 47

## North group



**Boss**  
Vincent Solano, 57

## Lieutenants

Joseph DiVarco, 65  
Michael Gitta, 55  
Ken Eto, 57  
Marshall Caifano, 65  
Leonard Patrick, 63\*\*\*

\*English inactive

\*\*Catuara semi-retired

\*\*\*Patrick still active despite current 4-year prison term for contempt of court.

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are the north, west, and south group bosses.

Authorities list Vincent Solano, 57, of 61 Andy Dr., Melrose Park, former chauffeur for the late Ross Prio and perennial president of Local 1 of the Laborers Union, as north group chief.

His "lieutenants" are identified as Joseph "Caesar" DiVarco, 65; Michael Gitta, 57; Ken Eto, 57; Marshall Caifano, 65; and Leonard Patrick, 63.

The west area, the best organized, is directed by Aiuppa's top aide, James "Turk" Torello, 46, according to investigators. They say Torello, of 1836 S. 60th St., Cicero, is an Old Guard favorite, and "only a long prison term or more permanent form of mob justice" could derail his certain rise to the top.

Torello's lieutenants, police say, include Joseph Ferriola, 49; James Inendino, 42; Charles "Chuckie" English, 62; and Angelo LaPietra, 56.

Mob watchers say LaPietra, who recently moved back into town from the suburbs, is also active in the south group, headed by Alfred Pilotto, 66, of 390 W. 11th Pl., and Albert Tocco, 1237 Piacenti Lane, both Chicago Heights.

PILOTTO, AN Accardo confidant, is regarded as successor to the aging

James "Jimmy the Bomber" Casanova, 71, now semiretired. Other soul reavers identified by police as Billie Dauber, 41, and Ralph Emery, 64.

Pressure on the Old Guard is heavy, coming from many directions.

Police say Ferriola, a no-nonsense enforcer and strategist in loan sharking, is competing for power with Torello. Ferriola is identified as an uncle of reputed triggerman Harry Aleman, and a protégé of Cerone.

Just what is rankling the renegades—called "the Black Leather Jacket Bunch" by the FBI—is unclear. But they are actively trying to get a handle on independent bookies, off-track betting services, the pornography market, and the once taboo narcotics racket.

"These guys will take over an independent bookmaker or off-track bet messenger parlor, pocket some of the bigger bets, and defy winners to do anything about it," said Peter Vaira, chief of the Justice Department's Strike Force on Organized Crime.

**"EXCEPTIONALLY ACTIVE"** in keeping independent gamblers in line, according to Lt. James Keating of the sheriff's Intelligence Unit, are reputed terrorists Fred "Butch" Petrocelli and Aleman, 38, who is under indictment for the 1972 murder of a Teamsters Union steward.

Police identify other "Young Turks" as Anthony Spilotro, 37; Joseph "the Clown" Lombardo; Frankie Schweis; and Louis "the Mooch" Eboli, 42, son of murdered New York Mafia boss Tommy Eboli.

Police say Aleman and Petrocelli appear to have established bonds with younger mob elements in New York City, and speculate they are bent on toppling Accardo so they can set up an alliance between Chicago and the East.

While the current bloodbath is seeing many top old-line mobsters ending up on mortuary slabs, the killings have not been without retribution.

OF THE 20 mob-related killings in the last two years, 11 victims were under 40.

And in their business particularly, death is never pleasant.

Louis DeBartolo, 29, of Melrose Park, died of a bullet in the head, for example. Before he was put out of his misery, however, a broom handle was jammed down his throat, breaking his larynx, and he was beaten with a mop ringer.

That's what's known as leaving a message.

In general, officials anticipate more killings, acts of terrorism, or an offensive of their own by the bosses. When the bosses respond, however, their actions are not always readily apparent.

Authorities believe some renegades might simply "disappear."

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92-1173-1374 p.2

Newspaper clipping from Section 1 of the Four Star Final edition of the Sunday Tribune, Chicago, Illinois, 5/1/77, captioned "Mob Generation Gap Endangers Tony Accardo and His Pals", is the same information reflected in 87-44475-316.

145-1130-21 p.2

On 5/19/77, [ ] advised SA [ ] that organized crime is involved in pornography in the following manner;

[ ] is very close to JIMMY CATURA. CATURA has been pushed out of any real influential position and has been replaced by a young Italian American named [ ] (LNU), who is approximately 32 years old.

92-1641-Sub I-21

Serial 21 is an Intelligence report from the Chicago Police Department, block stamp date 11/1/77, and reflects the following:

JAMES CATURA, IR Number D-82589; Controls Northern Indiana and South Suburbs of Northern Illinois and City of Chicago-North to Madison Street.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

91-11115-SubJ-2 p. 127

Serial 2, page 127 is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigation Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, by [ ] The subject is the information given to [ ] by [ ] on 8/12/74. The information found on 91-11115-SubJ-2 p.127 is the same as that on 91-11115-SubJ-3 p.126.

91-11115-SubJ-3 p.99

Serial 3, page 99, is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, by [ ], Agent. The Subject is the de briefing of [ ] of his activities on 8/22/74.

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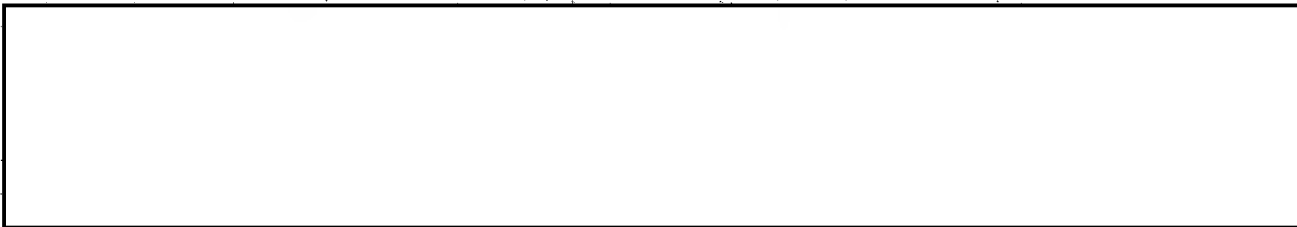
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91-11115-SubJ-3 p.86

Serial 3, page 86 is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, by [REDACTED] The subject is the activities of [REDACTED] on 9/4/74, and reflects the following:



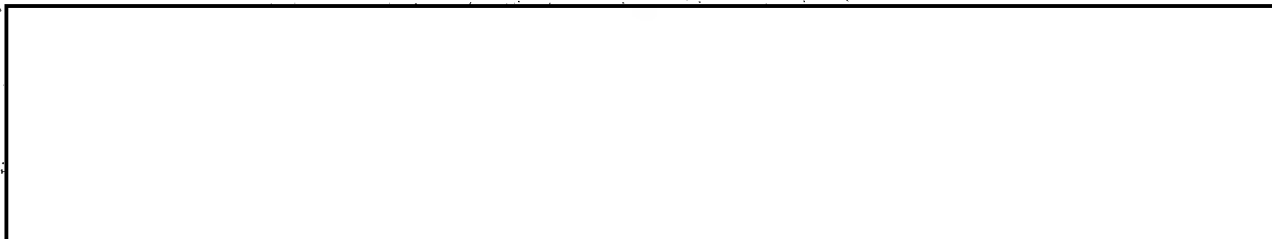
91-11115-SubJ-3 p.3

Serial 3, page 3, is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report by [REDACTED] Agent, and deals with the debriefing of [REDACTED] of his activities on 9/11/74, and reflects the following:



91-11115-SubJ-3 p. 126

Serial 3, page 126, is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, by [REDACTED] Agent, and deals with the debriefing of [REDACTED] of his activities on 9/11/74, and reflects the following:



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91-11115-SubJ-2 p.45

Serial 2, page 45, is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, on 9/26/74 by [redacted] Investigator, and deals with the activities of [redacted] on 9/13/74, and reflects the following:

[redacted]

91-11115-SubJ-3 p.69

The information in 91-11115-SubJ-3 p.69 is the same as that of 91-11115-SubJ-2 p.45.

91-11115-SubJ-3 p.5

Serial 3, page 5, is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, by [redacted] Agent, and deals with the debriefing of undercover activities on 9/30/74, of [redacted] and also reflects the following:

[redacted]

91-11115-SubJ-19

Serial 19 is an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, on 11/25/74, by [redacted] Agent. The subject of this report is the undercover activity of [redacted] on 10/5/74, and reflects the following:

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91-11115-SubJ-3 p.79

Serial 3, page 79, is included in an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report at Chicago, Illinois, on 10/21/74 by [redacted] Agent, and reflects the following:

[redacted]

91-11115-SubJ-27 p.3

Serial 27 is an Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission report on 12/12/74 by [redacted] Investigator. The subject is the background investigation of [redacted]

[redacted] and reflects the following:

The intelligence files of the Chicago Police Department were reviewed on the subject. [redacted] associated with South Side gambling figure JAMES CATUAKA, in fact. [redacted]

[redacted]

91-11115-424 p.2

Serial 424 is a Supplementary Report from the Chicago Police Department, block stamp date 5/5/75, and reflects the following:

[redacted]

92-1733-354 p.6

Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 7/17/75, captioned [redacted] aka, AR", reflects the following:

A subpoena duces tecum was served on an authorized representative of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company for telephone records of [redacted]

[redacted]



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92-4275-68

302 of SA [REDACTED] dated 6/30/75, at Calumet City, Illinois, reflect the following:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not know whether [REDACTED] associates with hoodlums and did not know whether or not [REDACTED] is acquainted with JAMES CATOARA or [REDACTED]

92-4472-49 p.42

Chicago report of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/31/75, captioned [REDACTED] AR<sup>n</sup>, reflects the following:

Records of Illinois Bell Telephone Company, (IBT), 212 West Washington Street, disclosed a list of telephone calls from telephone number [REDACTED]

Among the names on the list is that of JAMES CATOARA, 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois, telephone number 424-7411.

183-277-Sub2-73 p.2

Serial 73 is an observation memo dated 5/18/77, and reflects the following:

[REDACTED] was observed visiting Suite 500 at 5 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. In the past, JAMES CATOARA, aka "The Bomber", has been observed in this Suite.

92-1360-668 p.4

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Serial 668 is an Illinois Bureau of Investigation Investigative Memorandum dated 6/10/77, and reflects the following:

[REDACTED]

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92-1360-668 p.4 continued

A list of the 1977 Illinois plates was recorded from vehicles driven by guests at the reception. Among the names on the list was that of JAMES CATURA, 9600 South Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois, License plate JMC 6, 1977 red Cadillac, Driver's License Number C360-4400-5274.

66-4799 (6/22/77)

Lead dated 6/21/77, includes a list of Organized Crime subjects known to the FBI to be felons. Among the names on the list is that of JAMES CATUARA, dob 9/26/05.

92-1641-SubJ-18 p.10

302 of SA's [REDACTED]  
on 8/24/77 at Chicago, Illinois, and reflects the following:

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

183-327-218

[REDACTED]



Subject

Social Security Account #

Address

Birthplace

Sex	
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☐ All References

☐ Subversive References Only

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DOB: 9/26/05

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CATUARA, JAMES

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✓ 182-277\* I<sup>x</sup>

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*alias*

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CATUARA, JAMES

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CATUARA, JAMES  
aka "THE BOMBER"

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CATUARA, JAMES 1/77  
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CATUARA, JAMES "THE BOMBER"

92-1371\**Y*

87-29347\**Y*

87-31242\**Y*

26-62656\**Y*

92-373-63\**Y*

165-460\**Y*

166-1216\**Y*

179-70\**Y*

Aka; James V. Catuara

Res; 9600 S. Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois

DOB: 9-26-05

POB: ITALY

Race; White/Male

SEE MASTER CARD ON JAMES V. CATUARA FOR  
CORRELATION MEMO.

CATUARA, JAMES

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aka Jimmy the Bomber

CATUARA, JAMES

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91-11115 Sub J-19\**Y*

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CATUARA, JAMES

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9600 S. Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Ill.

CATUARA, JAMES

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92-4472-49 p42\**Y*

9600 South Kilborun  
Oak Lawn, Ill.

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MASTER CARD #2

CATUARA, JAMES, Aka.

92-1371\*  
87-29347\*  
87-31242\*  
92-373-631  
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92-1371-349 ( " " -10/15/69)  
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CATUARA, JAMES V.

Aka; Jimmie Cattura, 26-62656\*  
"The Bomber" Catuara,  
James "The Bomber" Catuara; Jim  
Catuara; Jimmy Catuara; Jimmy  
"The Bomber" Catuara; Vincenzo  
Catuara; James Catuaro; Jimmie  
Catuaro; James Catuarra; James Catura,  
Jimmy Catura; James Caruara; Jimmy Caturra,  
Jimmy Cotturo; Jimmy Cuturo; James Cutura,  
Jimmy "The Bomber" Cuturo; Jimmy Cuturo; Jimmy  
Cuturro, "The Bomber", "Jimmie The Bomber",  
"Jimmy The Bomber", "The Owl", "The Grandfather".

Res; 9600 S. Kilbourn, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

White/Male DOB: 9-26-05; POB: ITALY

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CATUARA, JIMMY

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CATUARA, JIMMY "THE BOMBER"

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✓ 26-62656\*✓

Aka; James V. Catuara

Res; 9600 S. Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois

DOB: 9-26-05

POB: Italy

Race; White/Male

SEE MASTER CARD ON JAMES V. CATUARA FOR CORREL-  
ATION MEMO.

CATUARA, JIMMY

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Aka; James V. Catuara

Res; 9600 S. Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois

DOB: 9-26-05

POB: Italy

Race; White/Male

SEE MASTER CARD ON JAMES V. CATUARA FOR  
CORRELATION MEMO.

CATUARA, JIM

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✓ 26-62656\*✓

Aka; James V. Catuara

Res; 9600 S. Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois

DOB: 9-26-05

POB: Italy

Race; White/Male

SEE MASTER CARD ON JAMES V. CATUARA FOR  
CORRELATION MEMO.

CATUARA, JIMMY "THE BOMBER" 10/76 92-1520-220p6 *I*

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CATURA, JIMMY 4/77 87-44475-285b.3 *I*

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aka: The Bomber;

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aka Jimmie the Bomber

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Age 70

9600 S. KILBOURN,  
OAK LAWN, ILL

Arrested at HAWKS SOCIAL AND ATHLETIC CLUB  
252 W. 31st,  
11/23/75

CATURA, JAMES

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9600 S. Kilborn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois  
DL# C360-4400-5274

DOB: 9/26/05

CATURA, JAMES

Aka; James V. Catuara  
AKA; 9600 S. Kilbourn.  
Oak Lawn, Illinois  
DOB: 9-26-05  
POB: ITALY  
Race; White/Male

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SEE MASTER CARD ON JAMES V. CATUARA FOR  
CORRELATION MEMO.

CATURA, JAMES  
"THE BOMBER"

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CATURA, JIMMY  
"THE BOMBER"

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CATURA, JAMES

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CATURA, JAMES

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"CATURA, JIMMY"

3-75

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Aliase of James Catura

CATURA, JIMMY  
"THE BOMBER"

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CATURA, JIMMY

92-1371\*

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26-62656\*

Aka; James V. Catuara  
Res; 9600 S. Kilbourn  
Oak Lawn, Illinois  
DOB: 9-26-05  
POB: Italy  
Race; White/Male

SEE MASTER CARD ON JAMES V. CATUARA FOR CORREL-  
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CATURA, JAMES

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aka Jimmie the Bomber

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ E F T O  
☐ CLEAR

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1371)  
 FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (92-NEW) (RUC)  
 SUBJECT: JAMES CATUARA, aka  
 Jimmy Catuara  
 AR  
 OO: CHICAGO

Enclosed for Chicago are two copies of an administrative insert concerning information re subject.

PX file 92-553 regarding subject destroyed.  
 New file opened.

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JAMES CATUARA;

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On 12/29/77, [redacted] advised Special Agent [redacted] that according to [redacted] CATUARA has moved permanently to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

THE INFORMANT WILL NOT TESTIFY TO ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN, DUE TO FEAR FOR THE INFORMANT'S LIFE. ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN WHICH IS UTILIZED IN A REPORT MUST BE PARAPHRASED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT.

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[Signature]

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
ready, if true,

On 1/23/78, [ ] provided the following information to SA [ ]

JAMES CATUARA is out as the south side boss of the chop shops. He is presently in Phoenix.

ANGELO LA PIETRA has taken over the position previously held by CATUARA. LA PIETRA has been tightening up on all small bookmakers who previously have escaped paying off to the syndicate.

Informant describes [ ]  
[ ] He stated  
that LA PIETRA can be found at [ ]  
[ ]

CAUTION: DISCLOSURE OF THIS INFORMATION MAY  
COMPROMISE THIS INFORMANT. NO  
DISSEMINATION SHOULD BE MADE OUTSIDE  
OF THE FBI.

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✓ 92-1371  
92-1359



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/20/71

[redacted]

[redacted] was shown a photograph of JAMES CATUARA and advised that he knows CATUARA. He said his knowledge and association with CATUARA is strictly on a business level. [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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Interviewed on 10/12/71 at Gary, IndianaFile # 92-1371-716  
IP 92-1207by SAs [redacted] ALP JMS-jldDate dictated 10/15/71

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/20/71

LESLIE J. OLSON, President, Olson Cadillac Agency, 5201 Dunes Highway, Gary, Indiana, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised as follows:

LESLIE OLSON was shown the photograph of the subject JAMES CATUARA and advised that he was not familiar or as far as he knows as never seen the individual in the photograph. He stated the name CATUARA does not ring a bell with him. OLSON stated he does not believe he has ever done business with CATUARA either in Chicago or at his present location in Gary. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OLSON stated he has retired from the business about eight years ago.

OLSON stated that he has been in the automobile business since 1916. He began his automobile business in Chicago with locations at South Shore and also on Rush Street in Chicago. Mr. OLSON stated that in the early days of his business he did quite a bit of business with people of CATUARA's character. He was located in the area where individuals believed at the time to be connected with organized crime in the Chicago area where situated. He said they came to him wanting to buy good cars therefore he sold them to them. Mr. OLSON stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and his friends also came out to Gary to purchase their automobiles. Mr. OLSON stated his customers are considered his friends because they have purchased automobiles and continue to do so over the years. He did not associate with them other than on a business level.

Mr. OLSON advised that he would be willing to pass on any information he might gain in the future to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Interviewed on 10/13/71 at Gary, Indiana File # 92-1371-717  
92-1207

by SAS [REDACTED] SALR JMS-jld Date dictated 10/15/71

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : SAC, CG

DATE: 2-27-78

FROM : SAC, IP

SUBJECT:

☐ RUC☒ File Destruction Program

(Title)

Enclosed are 1 items.  
These items are forwarded your office since:

☐ All logical investigation completed in this Division☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

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## memorandum

DATE: 4/26/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]SUBJECT: JAMES CATUARA, aka  
Jimmy Catuara  
AR

TO: OO:CHICAGO

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1371) (P)

As a result of Title III coverage in Chicago  
183-493 entitled [REDACTED] aka - ET AL; ITAR -  
GAMBLING - RICO, it was determined captioned subject  
still resides at 9600 South Kilbourn, Oaklawn, Illinois.

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92-1371-719

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(REV. 7-76)  
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6  
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## memorandum

DATE: 6/2/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:SA SUBJECT: JAMES CATUARA, aka  
Jimmy CatuaraAR  
TO: OO:CHICAGOSAC, CHICAGO (92-1371) (C)

Inasmuch as the activities of captioned subject are being followed in undercover investigation being conducted by the #5 Squad, it is recommended this 92 case be closed.

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*MBW**C 6/2/78*  
*AMW*

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1. This form may be submitted in legible hand printing.
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3. Make effort to furnish FBI identification number, law enforcement identification number, or military service number.
4. Furnish descriptive data and fingerprint classification only when FBI number not available.
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6. Do not fill in block in lower left corner.

*[Signature]*  
DIRECTOR, FBI

Attention: Identification Division

Date

6/21/78

JAMES CATURA

Field File No. 92-1371

Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following:

Name

FBI No.

Other No.

Aliases

Sex

Race

Birth Date

Birthplace

Residence

Height

Weight

Build

Hair

Eyes

Complexion

Age

Fingerprint Classification

Scars, marks and tattoos

Also Furnish:

- ☒ Photo  
☐ Fingerprints  
☐ Handwriting Specimens

Identification Division's Reply

7/31/78

- ☐ On basis of information furnished, unable to identify:

☒ Criminal Files ☐ Civil Files ☐ All Files

- ☒ Record Attached  
☒ Photo Attached  
☐ Photo Not Available  
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✓ SAC, CHICAGO  
Attn: SA

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*[Signature]*  
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## memorandum

DATE: JUL 6 1978

REPLY  
ATTN: SA [REDACTED]SUBJECT: ANTHONY ACCARDO  
AR

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-344)

In view of recent communications from the Bureau, the 92 classification is not considered a Priority Case Indicator (PCI) and therefore, a reorganization is needed with respect to this classification.

Each case agent receiving a copy of this communication will review the 92 cases assigned to him and prepare a memorandum setting forth any violation of a substantive nature contained in the file. This memorandum must contain sufficient information for this case to be converted to a 183 RICO investigation

2 - 92-344 (ACCARDO)  
1 - 92-371 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-373 (GUS ALEX)  
1 - 92-677 (JOE AIUPPA)  
1 - 92-1040 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1325 (APEX AMUSEMENT CO.)  
1 - 92-1360 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1368 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1371 (JAMES CATUARA)  
1 - 92-1693 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1707 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1708 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1747 (JOSEPH ZITO)  
1 - 92-1848 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1917 [REDACTED]  
1 - 92-1918 [REDACTED]  
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CG 92-344

In the event there is insufficient justification for converting the case to a RICO investigation, the memorandum prepared by the case agent should so state and this case will be closed. In the event there is sufficient justification for conversion a copy of this memorandum should be designated for Chicago control file 66-3-B.

This review and memoranda will be completed in typed form and submitted to the Squad # 16 Supervisor without fail by 7/28/78.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92- **1371**)

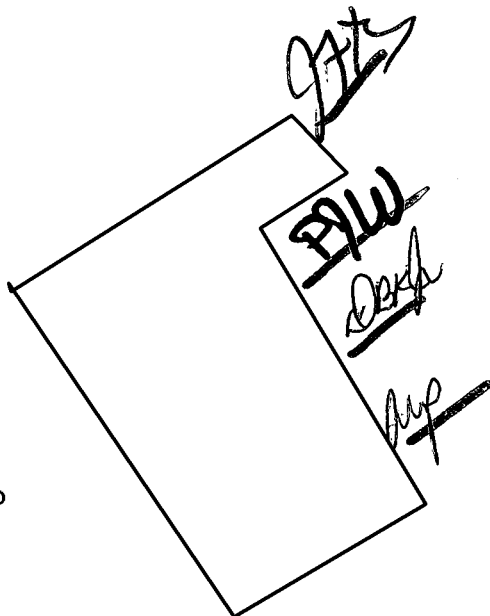
DATE: 7/28/78

FROM : SA

SUBJECT: <sup>CATURA</sup>JAMES CATURA, aka  
AR

A source known to writer advised on 7/28/78 that JAMES CATURA was observed in the parking lot of the Bamboo Hut restaurant on West Grand Avenue, Chicago at 4:40PM on 7/27/78. CATURA exited his vehicle (white over red, license JMC 6) in the restaurant lot and entered the above restaurant/ alone. This is all the info above source has.

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☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
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☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
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TO: SAC, CHICAGO

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (92-1371) (RUC)

SUBJECT: JAMES CATUARA, aka  
 AR  
 OO: CHICAGO

Enclosed for Chicago are two copies of an administrative insert reflecting investigation conducted within the Phoenix Division.

Chicago is requested not to contact

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] at Phoenix, Arizona:

On August 1, 1978, [redacted] provided the  
following information:

[redacted]

[redacted] JIMMY CATUARA had just been killed as  
a result of his failure to retire. [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] CATUARA had been dealing in dope without  
permission from the higher echelons. When CATUARA  
was killed [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS SINGULAR IN NATURE  
AND WOULD IDENTIFY SOURCE IF DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE OF  
THE BUREAU. NO DISSEMINATION SHOULD BE MADE WITHOUT  
CHANGING INFORMATION TO CONCEAL SOURCE.

# Chauffeur questioned in Catuara slaying

A BLUE VAN believed used by the killers of Jimmy "The Bomber" Catuara was found by police only a few blocks from where the crime syndicate chief was gunned down, it was learned Saturday.

The van was found the day after Catuara's murder, but police had kept its discovery a secret. The bullet-riddled body of Catuara, 72, was found beside his Cadillac July 28 in an isolated West Side industrial area.

It also was learned that homicide investigators are questioning a city Department of Streets and Sanitation employee who worked as a chauffeur for Catuara. The employee, whose name was not divulged, told police he was ill the day Catuara was murdered and therefore was unable to drive him, according to two police sources.

THE CHAUFFEUR has refused to take a polygraph test to corroborate his story, they said.

Investigators took the chauffeur in for questioning from his city job after they were unable to locate him at his home, sources said. The man said he had chauffeured Catuara for years but claimed he was unaware of his late employer's business.

Catuara, who was dubbed "The Bomber" in the 1920s when he made and planted bombs in mob terror campaigns, was at the head of numerous crime syndicate operations from 15th Street into the far south suburbs and portions of western Indiana. His empire included stealing luxury cars for parts, known as the "chop shop" business, as well as drugs and gun-running.

SOURCES THEORIZED that Catuara was lured to his death by someone he trusted. He drove to a remote industrial area adjoining railroad tracks at Hubbard Street and Ogden Avenue. Waiting for him, apparently inside the blue van, were his killers.

Catuara was shot from behind four times—in the back of the head, the neck, and the back. Investigators found shell casings from a 45-caliber pistol and a 30-caliber carbine at the scene.

They found the blue van parked six blocks away in the 300 block of North Green Street.

POLICE REFUSED to discuss evidence found inside the van, which had been reported stolen the morning Catuara was killed.

"This was a well-planned execution; it was carried out with precision," one source said.

Questioning of relatives and friends of

Catuara has failed to produce any leads, sources said. All professed ignorance of Catuara's business. Catuara's power had waned considerably prior to his death, as he was unable to defend his lucrative chop shop rackets against encroachments. Almost a dozen of his soldiers had been killed since 1971; federal investigators said Catuara went into hiding last winter, soon after the release from prison of William "Billy" Dauber, a former lieutenant with whom he had a major falling out.

Control of the chop shop racket was taken by Dauber and Albert Tocco, 48, of Chicago Heights earlier this year, federal investigators said.

Through most of this year the elderly mob boss seldom left his home at 9800 S. Kilbourn Av., Oak Lawn, according to federal informants. When he finally emerged from his hermitage in early July and began revisiting his old neighborhood at 26th and Wallace streets, they assumed he had made peace with his antagonists and surrendered his role as chief.

POLICE, HOWEVER, learned that Catuara recently was working behind a counter in a South Side car junkyard, indicating he was still trying to remain active in the chop shop business.

Meanwhile, it also was learned that investigators have concluded there was a link between Catuara and the murders of four franchise salesmen in their Park Ridge office last summer. Informants told police that one of the slain salesmen owed Catuara a substantial amount of money.

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JAMES CATUARA;

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On 8/2/78, [redacted] advised Special Agent  
(SA) [redacted] that on the morning JAMES CATUARA  
was killed [redacted]  
[redacted]

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN THE USE  
OF ANY INFORMATION FURNISHED BY THIS SOURCE IN VIEW OF  
SOURCE'S OBVIOUSLY SENSITIVE POSITION. UNDER NO CIRCUM-  
STANCES SHOULD THIS INFORMATION BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE  
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On October 26, 1978, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] is in very bad financial shape. He is losing his house and everything else. [redacted]

[redacted] with JIMMY CATUARA and has recently been talking about him. Reportedly, a couple of months before CATUARA was killed (August 1978) some people were looking for him [redacted]

Source stated that CATUARA owned the Elgin Street Sweeping Company, whose offices were at 31st and Wells. Source related that although the city has its own street sweepers, it contracts with Elgin to do the interstate highways and the airport.

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On September 6, 1978, [REDACTED] advised  
Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] that the actual  
killing of CATUARA was supposedly done by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN THE USE  
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Jimmy "The Bomber" Catrura, the restaurant located at  
Harlem and Archer on the northeast corner known as  
Richard's.

[REDACTED] the President Motel, which is located  
at Ogden and Harlem.

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Memorandum

JAMES CATUARA, aka  
AR

In connection with the destruction of channelizing memoranda, the information contained on the serials listed below was incorporated in a ☒ report ☐ letterhead memorandum dated 4-25-77. Where the serial is accompanied by the file and serial number of the original informant report, the information was not used because it was of no value to the report. The review for the communication checked above was made from 679 through 703.

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# Auto repairman's death tied to chop shop ring

By Thomas Hardy  
and Tom McNamee

SUBURBAN "CHOP SHOP" wars apparently have claimed another victim.

Blue Island police last week identified a body, found bludgeoned to death on a desolate peninsula earlier in the week in the Little Calumet River, as Addison auto repair shop owner Paul B. Paaren, 35, of 225A Washington Square, Elk Grove Village.

Paaren's body was found on the property of Eubanks' Boat Yard, 1400 Broadway, Blue Island, by an employee of the yard.

Paaren, owner of the Great American Auto Repair, 1020 Republic Dr., Addison, was recently named in a felony auto theft warrant after a search of his repair shop by Addison police uncovered components of 14 separate cars reported stolen in Chicago and the northwest suburbs, Addison police Sgt. Ralph Carcello said last week.

Paaren's body was found before the arrest warrant could be served.

BLUE ISLAND police Lt. Daniel Furay indicated the motive for Paaren's slaying was connected to "chop shop" operations, where stolen cars are dismantled, but he would neither elaborate further nor comment on whether Paaren was a known associate of reputed auto thieves.

Carcello said a check with state and federal law enforcement officials showed Paaren didn't have a previous record, and he said Addison police were unaware of allegedly illegal activities at Great American until recently, when they were called to the auto repair shop by a dissatisfied customer. Paaren reportedly worked at the shop by himself.

Paaren's body was found lying face down with both hands in his trouser pockets, clutching coins in one hand and keys in the other, Lt. Furay said.

PAAREN APPARENTLY was standing and talking with somebody he knew when he was struck from behind and died of massive skull fractures, Furay said.

Although Paaren's slaying didn't fit the pattern of an organized crime execution, in which firearms are used, police said, his death is the seventh in recent years related to reputed "chop shop" operations.

Among those killed or missing and presumed dead in what law enforcement officials describe as a struggle by organized crime figures to control the lucrative stolen auto parts industry are the following:

- Timothy O'Brien of Oak Lawn, associated with Irish Keystone Auto Parts of Robbins, whose body was found in June in the trunk of a car parked on a Blue Island street.

- Jimmy "The Bomber" Catura of Oak Lawn, gunned down on a Chicago street last year as he attempted to get out of his car.

- Sam Annerino of Oak Lawn, shot to death outside an Oak Lawn furniture store as he entered his car.

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Re: Paul Catura, 80 GJ 1137

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Dear Sir:

Please be advised that I am writing a declination memorandum and closing out the above file, due to the age and inactive status of this investigation.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



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